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109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4686

[Report No. 109-444]

To reauthorize various fisheries management laws, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 1, 2006

Mr. Gilchrest (for himself and Mr. Pombo) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

APRIL 27, 2006

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic] [For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 1, 2006]

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Multi-State and Inter-
- 3 national Fisheries Conservation and Management Act of
- 4 2006".
- 5 SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE INTERJURISDICTIONAL
- 6 FISHERIES ACT OF 1986.
- 7 Section 308 of the Interjurisdictional Fisheries Act of
- 8 1986 (16 U.S.C. 4107) is amended—
- 9 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
- 10 lows:
- 11 "(a) General Appropriations.—There are author-
- 12 ized to be appropriated to the Department of Commerce for
- 13 apportionment to carry out the purposes of this title
- 14 \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2007 through 2012."; and
- 15 (2) in subsection (c) by striking "\$850,000 for
- each of fiscal years 2003 and 2004, and \$900,000 for
- each of fiscal years 2005 and 2006" and inserting
- 18 "\$900,000 for each of fiscal years 2007 through
- 19 *2012*".
- 20 SEC. 3. REAUTHORIZATION AND AMENDMENT OF THE
- 21 ANADROMOUS FISH CONSERVATION ACT.
- 22 Section 4 of the Anadromous Fish Conservation Act
- 23 (16 U.S.C. 757d) is amended to read as follows:

1 "SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS. 2 "There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out 3 the purposes of this Act not to exceed \$4,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2007 through 2012.". 4 5 SEC. 4. EXTENSION OF DUNGENESS CRAB FISHERY MAN-6 AGEMENT ACT OF 1996. 7 Section 203 of Public Law 105-384 (16 U.S.C. 1856) note) is amended— 9 (1) in subsection (i) by striking "2006" and inserting "2016"; 10 11 (2) in subsection (j)— 12 (A) by inserting "REPORT.—" after "(j)"; 13 (B) by striking "health" and inserting "status"; and 14 15 (C) by striking "California." and inserting 16 "California, including— 17 "(1) stock status and trends throughout its 18 range; 19 "(2) a description of applicable research and sci-20 entific review processes used to determine stock status 21 and trends; and 22 "(3) measures implemented or planned that are 23 designed to prevent or end overfishing in the fishery."; 24 and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

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- 1 "(k) Short Title.—This section may be cited as the
- 2 'Dungeness Crab Fishery Management Act of 1996'.".
- 3 SEC. 5. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE ATLANTIC TUNAS CON-
- 4 *VENTION ACT OF 1975.*
- 5 (a) Authorization of Appropriations.—Section
- 6 10 of the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act of 1975 (16 U.S.C.
- 7 971h) is amended by striking so much as precedes sub-
- 8 section (b) and inserting the following:
- 9 "SEC. 10. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
- 10 "(a) In General.—There are authorized to be appro-
- 11 priated to carry out this Act, including use for payment
- 12 of the United States share of the joint expenses of the Com-
- 13 mission as provided in Article X of the Convention,
- 14 \$5,495,000 for each of fiscal years 2007 through 2012.".
- 15 (b) Sense of Congress Regarding Fish Habi-
- 16 TAT.—Section 3 of such Act (16 U.S.C. 971a) is amended
- 17 by adding at the end the following:
- 18 "(e) It is the sense of the Congress that the United
- 19 States Commissioners should seek to include ecosystem con-
- 20 siderations in fisheries management, including the con-
- 21 servation of fish habitat.".

1 SEC. 6. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE NORTHWEST ATLANTIC

- 2 FISHERIES CONVENTION ACT OF 1995.
- 3 Section 211 of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Con-
- 4 vention Act of 1995 (16 U.S.C. 5610) is amended by strik-
- 5 ing "2006" and inserting "2012".

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